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**Mayor Announces Repopulation of NEW Areas:
Northeastern Rancho Bernardo – West of City of Poway**

*Residents Can Return to Limited Area
Some Mandatory Evacuations Remain in Place*

MAYOR ANNOUNCES REPOPULATION OF NORTHEASTERN RANCHO BERNARDO

Mayor Sanders has announced that residents in the Northeastern section of Rancho Bernardo on the border of the City of Poway are being allowed to return to their homes. This area had been under a mandatory evacuation order which has now been lifted. The area announced for repopulation is:

SOUTH of Paseo del Verano North,
EAST of Pomerado Road,
NORTH of Espola Road, and
WEST of the City of Poway.

MANDATORY EVACUATIONS REMAIN IN PLACE FOR CERTAIN AREAS IN THE CITY

The City of San Diego Fire Department continues to reinforce **MANDATORY EVACUATION ORDERS** for certain areas affected by the Witch Fire. The San Diego Fire-Rescue Department continues to assess the safety of these areas and will be assessing **possible** repopulation efforts later today. Many structures in these areas are still smoldering so no commitments regarding repopulation can be made. Announcements about repopulation efforts will be made later today for:

1. **Areas of San Pasqual Valley** – South of the City of Escondido, West of Guejito Truck Trail, East of Interstate 15 and North of Highland Valley Road.

2. **Areas of North Rancho Bernardo** – South of Highland Valley Road, West of Pomerado Road, East of Interstate 15 and North of Rancho Bernardo Road.
3. **Areas of West Rancho Bernardo, Rancho Penasquitos, 4S Ranch and Santa Luz** – South of Lake Hodges, West of Interstate 15, East of Rancho Santa Fe Road and North of Highway 56.

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